



# Rockland Education Foundation

*Committed to making a difference in the lives of students*

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Dear Rockland Educators,

The Rockland Education Foundation is excited to announce that the online application for our grants will soon be on our website at **RocklandEducationFoundation.org** with detailed information. Please click on the GOOGLE FORMS link that is provided. Due to the continued generosity of our Century Club members who pledge \$100 annually; the thoughtful memorial donations that were sent to us to honor those who had selected the REF as a way to be remembered when they passed; and to the incredibly successful golf tournament in June, which many of you supported, we are pleased to say that we have a large sum of money that you will be able to apply for this year!

Typically, our traditional grant proposal requests are for less than \$5,000 and this year we have more than **\$50,000** to award for qualifying proposals that will creatively enrich the curriculum for your students!!

In addition, we will be awarding the **\$10,000 MacKinlay Impact Grant** which is the grant that we refer to as having a "WOW" effect on a significant number of students. This can be used for a classroom, a grade-level, an entire school or the whole school system. This grant was created to honor Scott MacKinlay who was one of the founders of the Rockland Education Foundation and it is always exciting for us to see the outstanding ideas that are proposed for this grant!

The same application will be used for both the traditional grant and the MacKinlay Impact Grant. You will be asked to indicate the grant for which you are applying. Once again this year, Sue Lonergan is going to be our liaison with those teachers who would like some guidance as they create their proposals for submission or who may have questions that need clarification. She can be reached at **slonergan@rocklandschools.org**.

The Grants Committee is looking forward to reading your submissions which must be reviewed by school principals and submitted electronically to us by October 4, 2024. We hope that you are ready to create some incredibly unique opportunities for your students with our financial support. Enjoy your journey!

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